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Used Oil and HHW Grants Bulletin



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Grant News

Household Hazardous Waste Grants

On August 20, 2002, the California Integrated Waste Management Board awarded Local Government Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Grants to 15 jurisdictions totaling \$3 million for fiscal year (FY) 2002/03. Local governments will use these funds to support a variety of projects, most of them involving the collection of electronic waste (e-waste) and universal waste (u-waste) and construction of permanent collection facilities. April 2003 is the proposed release date for the notice of funding availability (NOFA) for the 12th cycle of HHW grants.

Used Oil Opportunity Grants

In April 2002 the CIWMB approved 18 sixth-cycle Used Oil Opportunity Grants totaling more than \$5.1 million. Eight local governments will use a portion of these funds to establish agricultural and marina used oil collection programs. Other grantees will use their funds to establish curbside collection, oil filter and bottle recycling, re-refined oil promotion, and used oil recycling education programs.

Nonprofit Grants

In October, the Board approved the scoring criteria and evaluation process for the FY 2002/03 Nonprofit Grants. Approximately \$3.5 million will be available for this fifth grant cycle. The NOFA for the these grants was sent out to prospective applicants in late October and the final filing date for grant applications is December 20, 2002.

The grant term for UNP5 will be from May 1, 2003, to April 30, 2005. Only nonprofit organizations will be eligible for this grant. Staff is proposing a maximum award of \$200,000 per individual applicant and \$300,000 for each regional application.

Staff is also proposing program criteria that will encourage organizations to: 1) use social marketing techniques to supplement or replace traditional media-based publicity and education methods to promote collection of used oil and/or filters; 2) target an underserved population for the collection of used oil and/or filters; 3) initiate a new program or support an existing program for purchasing of rerefined oil and provide for continued and sustained re-refined oil availability in target area after the grant period; and/or 4) initiate a new program or support an existing program to collect used oil and/or filters from boaters and agricultural sources or to filter oil from stormwater.

We recommend that nonprofit groups work closely with local jurisdictions in developing their proposed projects. We are asking



nonprofits to include a letter of support from the targeted local jurisdiction in their grant application. Staff expects to mail the NOFA and application packages to interested parties in late October and ask the Board to approve recommended grant awards at its April 2003 board meeting.

Research and Demonstration Grants

The third cycle of Research and Demonstration Grants is in the planning stages. Proposed target dates for the release of the NOFA and application are late December or early January 2003, with final awards to be made in June 2003. The final filing date for applications has not been determined.

Meetings

SAVE the DATE:

Annual Used Oil Forum

Forum

The Used Oil Forum will take place in Pasadena at the Pasadena Hilton on **December 5–6, 2002**.

Workshop topics will include: social marketing, insights into managing the certified used oil collection center program, grant management success, effective use of media, stormwater pollution prevention: used oil filtration programs, outreach to urban/rural communities, grant writing, and grants auditing/indirect costs. Registration materials for the Used Oil Forum were sent to grantees in October. If you did not receive these materials, please contact Diana Manges at (916) 278-4826.

California HHW Information Exchanges

Information exchange meetings are held every other month in northern and southern California. Here are the upcoming meeting locations/dates:

Los Angeles11/7/02San Francisco11/13/02Pittsburgh (tentative)1/8/03San Diego1/15/03

The statewide HHW/Used Oil Conference will be held on March 24–28, 2003, at the Granlibakken Conference Center in Tahoe City, California.

New Staff Join CIWMB's Used Oil Program

The CIWMB Used Oil Recycling Program lost a number of dedicated, long-term employees during the past year. Veterans Don Peri, Natalie Lee, Carla Repucci, and Sally French all took on new challenges in other CIWMB divisions. Their shoes have been expertly filled over the past year by James Herota, Matt McCarron, and Jeffrey Lin. Following is some background on these new staff members.

James Herota

James Herota's responsibilities in the Used Oil Analysis Section include used oil collection data analysis, program policy review, contract management, and developing new contract concepts. James came to the CIWMB in March 2002 from the California Technology, Trade, and Commerce Agency where he analyzed the economic impacts of

proposed regulations on businesses and worked with State agencies and businesses to mitigate adverse regulatory economic impacts. James also served as a senior pesticide use specialist within Cal/EPA's Department of Pesticide Regulation where he reviewed pesticide directions for consumers and analyzed scientific studies to support pesticide licensing. Formerly licensed as a structural pest control inspector, applicator, and agricultural pest control advisor, James has commercially grown sod, row crops, and field crops in the Sacramento Valley. He has an undergraduate degree in agriculture and a graduate degree in public policy and administration.



Matt McCarron

Matt joined the HHW and Used Oil Analysis Section last spring following a decade of State service and involvement with the household hazardous

waste industry. Matt's responsibilities include conducting legislative analyses, coordinating both a multiagency e-waste group and a grantee advisory committee, and managing a contract to develop best management practices for local government e-waste operations. Matt's previous experience includes six years with the Department of Toxic Substances Control where he provided regulatory and technical assistance to industry, government, and the public regarding hazardous waste management issues, and more than four years as the director of Northern California Cal/EPA Permit Assistance Center that provided regulatory permit guidance to businesses and government.

Prior to working for the State of California, Matt gained experience in accounting/auditing, banking, and real estate finance. Matt has a bachelor of science degree in biology, and a master's degree in environmental management.

Jeff Lin

Jeff took over last July as the grant manager for Yolo, Sutter, Yuba, Placer, El Dorado, Sacramento, San Joaquin, Stanislaus, Merced, Madera, Fresno, and Tulare counties. In his former position, Jeff worked for the California Technology, Trade, and Commerce Agency managing a grant program that enabled local cities and counties to conduct reuse and retention activities at closed and open California military facilities. Jeff has a bachelor of science degree in economics and a master's degree in public policy and administration.

Technology

Stormwater Filters

The passage of legislative bills AB 1201 and AB 560 in January 2002 allows grantees to spend CIWMB Block, Local Government Opportunity, and Nonprofit Grant funds on oil-related



stormwater pollution prevention public education and mitigation measures, **provided that grantees' used oil collection infrastructure and public outreach requirements have been met**.

One mitigation measure that can be funded pursuant to this legislation is the installation of stormwater filtration devices that extract oil from stormwater before it enters waterways. Stormwater filters come in various forms, either natural (vegetation strips, swales, or detention ponds) or manmade (catch basin and storm drain inlet inserts and in-line system filters). These filtration methods vary widely in their degree of oil absorption, ease of installation, maintenance cost, and purchase price. The Board is hopeful that some Research/Demonstration Grant proposals will include lab and field-testing of these different filtration methods. Data from this research would enable us to better inform local government grantees about the efficacy of these various stormwater filtration methods.



Motor Oil Bottle Recycling—A Reality

Beginning in November 2002, residents in 19 Southern California cities will add discarded motor oil bottles to the other materials they place at the curbside for pick up by their recycling service. Curbside Inc. will transport these motor oil bottles to its Southern California facility where they will be fed into a large conveyor-fed plastic granulator manufactured by ITEC Environmental Systems. The plastic with residual oil will be granulated and condensed into 55-gallon drums for transport to ITEC's central California processing facility. Here the residual oil will be reclaimed and the plastic processed into pellets for reuse in recycled-content products.

The following communities will benefit from this motor oil bottle recycling service: Huntington Beach, Garden Grove, Orange, Buena Park, Costa Mesa, Fountain Valley, Norwalk, Paramount, Lynwood, Diamond Bar, Monrovia, Huntington Park, Maywood, Palmdale, Lancaster, Santa Clarita, Laguna Woods, Laguna Beach, and Lemon Grove. Other motor oil bottle recycling programs (using different curbside vendors) are operative in Santa Barbara, Plumas, and several other counties.

Motor oil bottle recycling programs can be funded via CIWMB Nonprofit, Local Government Opportunity, and Block Grants. Grantees who intend to use Block Grant funds for this purpose should review the February 2002 revisions to the Used Oil Block Grant (BG) fifth, sixth, and seventh cycle procedures and requirements before proceeding.

Don't Start from Scratch: Select From the Clearinghouse

Grantees can now view and select existing public education/outreach materials at the clearinghouse on our Web site. The items displayed in the clearinghouse represent the best of the brochures, advertisements, and premiums developed by various grantees over the years using CIWMB funding. A photo of each displayed item is accompanied by contact information so you can obtain artwork directly from the grantee that produced the material.

If you choose to replicate one of the items in the clearinghouse, please be advised that not all posted items meet the minimum requirements for public education materials and may need revision to do so. Be sure to review the procedures and requirements for the specific grant cycle and pay close attention to the revision letter dated August 2002. To access the clearinghouse:

1. Go to the CIWMB Web site at www.ciwmb.ca.gov.

- 2. Under "Choose a Material," select either "HHW" or "Oil: Used/Rerefined."
- 3. Select "Clearinghouse" from the left vertical menu.

New Additions to the CIWMB Used Oil/HHW Web Page

We've added new items to the Used Oil/HHW Web page at www.ciwmb.ca.gov/UsedOil/ to provide assistance to grantees, including:

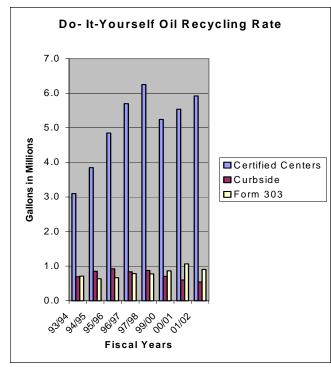
- Recycling Content Certification Form
- Form 303
- Annual Used Oil Block Grant Report Form
- Clearinghouse: Top 200 used oil/HHW recycling and stormwater pollution prevention outreach items
- Publicity and Education Verification Form

Do You Need E-mail Access?

If you are a used oil block grantee and still do not have access to e-mail, contact your grant manager to

request using Block Grant funds to pay for a subscription to an internet service provider. E-mail access is an allowable expense that will facilitate better communications between you and your CIWMB grant manager.

Goal in FY 2002–03: Collect 8 million gallons of "Do It Yourselfer" used oil



KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK!

Legislation Update

The following legislative updates are provided for informational purposes only. Additional information regarding current bills of interest to the CIWMB can be found on our Web Site at www.ciwmb.ca.gov/Statutes/Legislation/PriorityRpt/. If you are interested in other bills, please visit the Legislative Counsel's Web site at www.leginfo.ca.gov/.

Assembly Bills (AB)

AB 560 (Jackson, D-Santa Barbara)
Chapter 500, Statutes of 2001
Local Used Oil Collection Programs: Stormwater
Runoff Pollution. Authorizes a local government
that has implemented the used oil collection and
education elements of a used oil collection program
to also include provisions for the collection of oil

and oil byproducts from nonpoint sources that may be mixed with oil or oil byproducts.

AB 2474 (Simitian, D-Palo Alto) Chapter 998, Statutes of 2002

Automotive Products. Requires antifreeze manufacturers to add a bittering agent to ethylene glycol-based antifreeze sold in the State of California, with the exception of bulk sales, to reduce the number of individuals, wildlife, and domestic animals that are poisoned by this product.

AB 2166 (Lowenthal, D- Long Beach) Chapter 992, Statutes of 2002

Transport of Used Oil. Requires transporters of used oil to provide written notice to generators of used oil regarding the shipment of the used oil to facilities that do not meet California environmental

standards. Expands certain immunities from superfund cost recovery actions for certain used oil collection programs/activities.

Senate Bills (SB)

SB 633 (Sher, D-Palo Alto) Chapter 656, Statutes of 2001

Mercury. Bans the manufacture, sale, or supply of mercury fever thermometers except when the thermometer is supplied to a consumer or patient by written prescription. Bans the manufacture, sale, or distribution of novelty items (toys, games, figurines, shoes, etc.) containing mercury. Prohibits the purchase of mercury or mercury-containing equipment and materials in K-12 schools except for mercury-containing measuring devices for which the Department of Toxic Substances Control determines no adequate substitute exists. Requires that mercurycontaining switches in junked vehicles be removed before the vehicles are crushed or shredded and creates a voluntary program to coordinate and encourage replacement and recycling of mercurycontaining motor vehicle light switches.

SB 1011 (Sher, D-Palo Alto) Chapter 626, Statutes of 2002

Curbside Collection. Allows curbside collection programs to include the pick up of universal waste, with the exception of spent lead-acid batteries, antifreeze, fluorescent tubes four feet or greater in length, and mercury containing products.

SB 1158 (Knight, R-Palmdale) Chapter 450, Statutes of 2001

Aerosol Can Recycling. Allows on-site hazardous waste treatment of aerosol cans to fall under the universal waste rule. This would allow household hazardous waste collection centers, as well as other on-site hazardous waste generators, to bypass the certification process and adopt the inspection requirements that come with the universal waste rule instead.

SB 1523 (Sher, D-Palo Alto) Vetoed

Solid Waste: Cathode Ray Tubes and CRT Devices: Recycling and Refurbishment. Would have required every retailer or manufacturer that sells cathode ray tube (CRT) devices to collect a cathode ray tube recycling fee on each CRT device. The bill also would have established the Cathode Ray Tube Recycling Account to fund activities related to the management of CRTs.

SB 1619 (Romero, D-Los Angeles) Vetoed

Solid Waste: Cathode Ray Tubes and CRT

Devices. Would have set goals for diversion, reuse, and recycling of cathode ray tubes (CRT) and CRT devices. It would also have provided a grant program to promote diversion, recycling, and refurbishment for cathode ray tubes and CRT device diversion.

The energy challenge facing California is real. Every Californian needs to take immediate action to reduce energy consumption. For a list of simple ways you can reduce demand and cut your energy costs, Flex Your Power and visit www.consumerenergycenter.org/flex/index.html.

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